

**THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

Wednesday, May 3, 2006

4:50 p.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services was called to order by **Representative Stahl**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Vander Veen moved to adopt the minutes of the **April 26, 2006** meeting. The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Stahl laid **HB 5698, HB 5699, HB 5700, HB 5701, HB 5702** and **HB 5703** before the committee:

HB 5698	Vander Veen	Family law; marriage and divorce; divorce; require a divorce effects program before entry of judgment of divorce.
HB 5699	Kooiman	Family law; marriage and divorce; prerequisites for issuance of a marriage license; require premarriage program or longer waiting period.
HB 5700	Stahl	Income tax; credit; marriage preservation tax credit; provide for.
HB 5701	Moolenaar	Family law; child custody; child parenting plan; create.
HB 5702	Gleason	Family law; marriage and divorce; individuals who can accept payment and perform marriage and family counseling; expand.
HB 5703	Wojno	Family law; marriage and divorce; recording of certain information on marriage license and certificate; require.

TESTIMONY:

Rik Hayman, from Representative Gleason's office, submitted a card in support of HB 5702 and did not wish to speak.

Howard Heideman, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, submitted a card in opposition to HB 5700 and did not wish to speak.

Lisa Sullivan, representing the Family Law Section of the Michigan State Bar, submitted a card and did not indicate a position on the bills.

Kevin McKinney, representing the Michigan Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, submitted a card in support of HB 5702 as introduced and did not wish to speak.

Sally Borghese and **Darlene King**, representing the Citizens for Parental Rights and Families United for Justice and Equality, submitted a card indicating neutrality on the bills and did not wish to speak.

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, submitted a card in opposition to HB 5701 and HB 5698 and did not wish to speak.

Bill Drake, representing Representative Wojno's office, submitted a card in support of HB 5703 and did not wish to speak.

Gary Nayaert, representing Dads of Michigan and the Family Rights Coalition, submitted a card in support of the bills and did not wish to speak.

Beverly Tran, a grad student of Wayne State University, Department of Political Science, testified indicating neutrality on HB 5701.

Monika Wierzbicki, from Representative Kooiman's office, submitted a card in support of the bills and did not wish to speak.

Mary Lovik, representing the Michigan Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board, testified in opposition to HB 5701 and HB 5698, as written.

Representative Vander Veen moved to adopt the substitute **(H-1)** to **HB 5698**. The motion was supported by **Representative Pearce**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the substitute **(H-1)** to **HB 5699**. The motion was supported by **Representative Polidori**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the substitute **(H-2)** to **HB 5701**. The motion was supported by **Representative Spade**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Spade moved to adopt the substitute **(H-1)** to **HB 5702**. The motion was supported by **Representative Hoogendyk**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the substitute **(H-1)** to **HB 5703**. The motion was supported by **Representative Hoogendyk**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Stahl offered the following amendment to **HB 5699 (H-1)**:

1. Amend page 9, line 12, by striking out all of enacting section 2.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the amendment. The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Stahl offered the following amendment to **HB 5700**:

1. Amend page 2, line 10, by striking out all of enacting section 1.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the amendment. The motion was supported by **Representative Sheen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Stahl offered the following amendments to **HB 5701 (H-2)**:

1. Amend page 3, line 2, after “**MEANS**” by striking out the balance of subdivision (e) and inserting “**THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1 OF 1978 PA 389, MCL 400.1501.**”.
2. Amend page 4, line 4, after “time” by striking out the balance of the line through “**DISPUTE**” on line 6.
3. Amend page 10, line 27, by striking out all of enacting section 1.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the amendments. The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representatives Stahl and Hoogendyk offered the following amendments to **HB 5702 (H-1)**:

1. Amend page 2, line 7, after “**ORGANIZATION**” by inserting “**EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER SECTION 501 (C) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, 26 USC 501**”.
2. Amend page 6, line 22, by striking out all of enacting section 2.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the amendments. The motion was supported by **Representative Sheen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-0-1**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: Representative Clack.

Representative Stahl offered the following amendment to **HB 5703 (H-1)**:

1. Amend page 2, line 17, by striking out all of enacting section 2.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the amendment. The motion was supported by **Representative Sheen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Vander Veen moved to report **HB 5698** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-1**). The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to report **HB 5699** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-2**). The motion was supported by **Representative Hoogendyk**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Clack moved to report **HB 5700** with recommendation, as amended. The motion was supported by **Representative Hoogendyk**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to report **HB 5701** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-3**). The motion was supported by **Representative Hoogendyk**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade,
Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Lemmons, Jr. moved to report **HB 5702** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-3**).
The motion was supported by **Representative Spade**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade,
Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Polidori moved to report **HB 5703** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-2**). The
motion was supported by **Representative Spade**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade,
Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at
6:20 p.m.

Representative John Stahl, Chair
House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services
Malika Abdur-Rashid
Committee Clerk
517/373-7256
1 Hour 30 Minutes